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SUBJECT: Creation of NEPIKE Welfare Office in LOERIK

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1. As you already know, a serious problem exists as a result of the present policy of the LOFLAKE Government to refuse admittance to LOFLAKE of refugees from NEPIKE, YPROACH and NEHEM, except for very limited categories of refugees. The dominant motive of the LOFLAKE authorities is apparently the desire to avoid the financial burdens which the maintenance of large numbers of refugees impose on them.

2. In order to protect VLKiva PIKE interests and avoid the unfortunate repercussions which a policy of returning refugees to their countries of origin would bring about among the anti-Communist elements of those countries as well as elsewhere, it is believed that at least insofar as the PIKES are concerned, a temporary solution to the problem may be found in the creation of a Pike Welfare Office in LOERIK which would provide financial assistance to worthy refugees in the name of the Pike National Committee. Field control of this office could be maintained largely through the FIEND Field Chief and HONY, LOERIK.

3. The question of the establishment of a Welfare Office in LOERIK has been discussed to a considerable extent with Malament and Whiffen in HOPKIN. They expressed the following fears:

a. The LOFLAKES would expect the Welfare Office to support all PIKE refugees in LOFLAKE, including those who are members of the LOFLAKE minority in NEPIKE and who are the political enemies of the committee because they support the LOFLAKE claim to the JUPERTH(1).

b. The LOFLAKES might attempt to use the presence in LOFLAKE of a faction of the Committee for Free Pikeland for their own political purposes or for their propaganda.

These fears are not without foundation. It would be essential for the VLKiva representative in LOFLAKE to make sure that the LOFLAKES did not exercise undue influence. It would also presumably be necessary to assure the LOFLAKE authorities that in exchange for the right to operate in LOFLAKE, the Welfare Office would not indulge in any political activities in that country.

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4. The general subject of this dispatch has also been discussed with the Juggal representative here; where officials show a lack of enthusiasm for the project on the part of Juggal. The main fear seems to be the potential financial burden and the possibility of the formation of a splinter element in the Committee, with attendant difficulties in maintaining uniformity of policy and action within this rather heterogeneous group.

5. In spite of the fears expressed above, it is believed that it may be necessary to present to the refugee office in order to permit the maintenance in LGFLAIR of the refugees in whom Valtira has an operational interest. Furthermore, the refugee office could eventually will serve as a useful recruiting center, and as serve for other PLIRD or Valtira activities. It could supply, for example, a man like Jerome R. Kempter to engage in the overt activities of the office, thus giving this committee member a greater sense of participation in current operations.

6. It would obviously be impossible for a welfare office of the type in question to undertake to support all Plado refugees in LGFLAIR. Possibly the office could take over at a certain point and handle all movements who arrive in the country after a certain date, also expanding the support of those persons already in LGFLAIR who are of special interest to Valtira. There are matters that would have to be developed out in LGFLAIR with the LGFLAIR authorities. However, in order to permit the further development of the economy, it is essential to have at least approximate data on the possible financial load which the committee would have to bear. It is requested that all available information be supplied on the number of persons whose care such a project should envisage, and also on the approximate cost of supporting refugees in LGFLAIR on a reasonable standard of living basis for refugees in that area.

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